

**SEATTLE FEDERAL EXECUTIVE BOARD
Interagency Environmental Leadership Committee**

Meeting Minutes for
September 29, 2005

Host: EPA Region 10's "Voluntary Partnership Programs"

Location: Federal Center South, Galaxy Room

Documents and Presentations:

[Federal Electronics Challenge](#)

[Public-Private Partnership to Reduce Diesel Emissions](#)

[National Partnership for Environmental Priorities \(NPEP\) Program](#)

[EPA's Performance Track: An Opportunity for Leadership](#)

[EPA's Waste Wise Program](#)

Attendees:

Brenda Bachman, USACE

Cheri Sayer, GSA

Chris Koser, SFEB ADR

Richard Hall, GSA

Sonya Capek, NPS

Bretnie Grose, NPS

Steve Butterworth, NPS

Domenic Calabro, USEPA Region 10

Robert Drake, USEPA Region 10

Peter Murchie, USEPA Region 10

William Glasser, USEPA Region 10

Barbara Lithier, USEPA Region 10

Michael Fagan, USEPA Region 10

Hayden Street, Navy Region NW

Phil Fesmire, VA Puget Sound Health Care System

Introductions and Welcoming Remarks

The IELC Committee gave a special Thank You to Richard Hall of GSA, Steve Butterworth of NPS and Brenda Bachman of USACE. At a previous IELC meeting on purchasing renewable energy, Steve and Brenda encouraged GSA to purchase 100% renewable power for their respective buildings. Richard Hall of GSA met the challenge and purchased significant quantities of renewable power. The IELC wanted to thank these federal employees for recognizing a need and taking steps to achieve a positive environmental outcome.

Substantive Presentations on – EPA's Voluntary Partnership Programs

Domenic Calabro gave a presentation on EPA's Waste Wise Program. **WasteWise** promotes cost savings and efficiency through waste prevention, recycling, and buying/manufacturing recycled content products. All organization in the United States, including public and private sectors, are eligible for recognition through this innovative program. <http://www.epa.gov/wastewise/>

Michael Fagan gave a presentation on the **National Partnership for Environmental Priorities (NPEP) and the Federal Electronics Challenge. (FEC)**. The goal of the NPEP program is to encourage, through recognition, networking, and case example distribution, the minimization of hazardous and industrial wastes, particularly those waste streams containing one or more of the 31 priority chemicals.

<http://www.epa.gov/epaoswer/hazwaste/minimize/partnership.htm>

The Federal Electronics Challenge (FEC) is a voluntary partnership program that encourages federal facilities and agencies to: 1) purchase greener electronic products, 2) reduce impacts of electronic products during use, and 3) manage obsolete electronics in an environmentally safe way.

<http://www.federalelectronicchallenge.net/>

Robert Drake gave a presentation on **Energy Star**. This program maximizes energy efficiency in commercial, industrial, and residential settings by promoting new building and product design and practices. 1-888-STAR-YES

<http://www.energystar.gov/>

William Glasser gave a presentation on **Performance Track**,

<http://www.epa.gov/performance-track/>

The goal of Performance Track is to recognize and encourage top environmental performance among private and public facilities, which go beyond compliance with regulatory requirements to achieve environmental excellence.

Peter Murchie gave a presentation on the **West Coast Collaborative**.

<http://www.westcoastcollaborative.org/>

The West Coast Collaborative is a public-private partnership working to reduce air pollution emissions from diesel sources along the West Coast. The Collaborative is part of an overall national campaign, EPA's [National Clean Diesel Campaign](#) to reduce diesel emissions.

Complete copies of the presentations are available by clicking here.
(put in CD-ROM files of all the powerpoints.)

Discussion of Proposed IELC Initiatives for FY 2006 Workplan

Chris Koser of the SFEB ADR committee made a proposal for the IELC FY 2006 Workplan to be submitted for FEB consideration involving the creation of a federal program to recycle used cell phones to victims of domestic violence.

Hayden Street of Navy Region NW presented a proposal to be submitted in the IELC FY 2006 workplan related to Earth Day 2006 and Americorps volunteers.

Both proposals were recommended for submission to the full FEB as part of the IELC FY 2006 workplan.

Election of Officers

After brief discussion, a slate of officers were nominated and voted in as officers for FY 2006.

Barbara Lithier, EPA	Chair
Cheri Sayer, GSA	Co Vice-Chair
Hayden Street, Navy NW	Co Vice-Chair
Brenda Bachman, USACE	Recorder

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